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FOR: REINFORCING METHOD OF  
SILICA GLASS SUBSTANCE AND  
REINFORCED SILICA GLASS  
CRUCIBLE

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.